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AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000
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INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
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per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months.....5 per cent.
" 6 "4 "
" 3 "3 "

JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 18th June, 1894. [20]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.
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D. Gillies, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
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Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per cent.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1894. [7]

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND
THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £2,000,000
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BANKERS:—
CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED.

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RATES OF INTEREST,
ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS
and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained
on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange
business transacted.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1894. [210]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

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CAPITAL PAID-UP £300,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £75,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balances,
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months.....5 per cent.
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A. C. MARSHALL,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1894. [565]

INSTITUTIONS.

THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE
COMPANY
has long taken the lead in SIMPLIFYING the
CONDITIONS and LIBERALISING the
CONTRACT of LIFE ASSURANCE, thereby
giving greatly increased Security to the Holders
of the Company's Policies.
For full particulars and rates,

Apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th June, 1894. [743]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } £85,333.33-
EQUAL TO } £85,000.00-
RESERVE FUND }

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq. LO YEEU MOON, Esq.
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MANAGER.—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,
Hongkong, 17th December, 1894. [610]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,

No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 10th May, 1894. [550]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE, &c., &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
ON
SATURDAY, the 6th October, 1894,
commencing at 2.30 P.M.,
at his Sale Rooms, DUDDLESTON STREET,
Removed from EARNSHAW and for other
Accounts.

A QUANTITY OF
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE,
Comprising—

SEVERAL DRAWING-ROOM SUITES,
BROCATELLE, SILK TAPESTRY and
other MATERIALS; OVERMANTELS, with
PLAIN BEVELLED GLASSES, CLOCKS,
PAINTINGS, ORNAMENTS, TEA & FANCY
TABLES, BOOK-CASE, LADY'S DESK,
FENDERS and IRONS, CARPETS, RUGS,
CURTAINS, POLES, &c.

A N D S O M E SIDEBOARD with
BEVELLED GLASS, EXTENSION DINING-
TABLE, MOROCCO COVERED DINING
CHAIRS, DINNER WAGGONS, DINNER &
DESSERT SERVICES, ELECTRO-PLATE and
GLASS WARE, CUTLERY, TABLE
LINEN, &c., &c.

SEVERAL IRON and BRASS MOUNTED
BEDSTEADS with WIRE and HAIR MAT-
TRESSES, BED-ROOM SUITE, MARBLE-
TOP WASHSTANDS and SETS, LADIES'
DRESSING TABLES, with PLAIN and
BEVELLED GLASSES.

HANDSOME SILK EMBROIDERED
JAPANESE SCREEN and PLAQUES, PAN-
TRY and BATH-ROOM REQUISITES, IRON
COOKING STOVE, ONE RICKSHA, nearly
New, and SEVERAL BICYCLES,
&c., &c.

ALSO,

SEVERAL COPIES of "SCENES FROM
EVERY LAND," over 500 PHOTOGRAPHIC
VIEWS, with Introduction from General LEW
WALLACE.

Catalogues issued prior to Sale. On View
from Friday, the 5th October.

TERMS OF SALE:—As customary,
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, and October, 1894. [1027]

Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.

Under the Most Distinguished Patronage of
H. E. Sir WILLIAM ROBINSON, K.C.M.G.,
Governor of Hongkong,
H. E. Major-General DIGBY BARKER, C.B.,
Commanding H.M.'s Forces in China,
And the Elite of the Colony.

M. R. NATH. RUCHWALDY will give an
Entertainment at the above Theatre,
kindly assisted by some
WELL-KNOWN AMATEURS,
and his
PUPILS
ON

SATURDAY,
THE 13TH OCTOBER, 1894.

PROGRAMME:—
"AN ENTERTAINMENT IN COLOURS,"
in which Messrs. BRAY and C. T. ROBINSON
will appear in entirely New Songs.

NEW LADY AMATEURS
a Complete Banjo Band,
&c., &c., &c.

By Special Desire.
The Musical Flower Fairy Tale entitled
"PANSY."

Written and Composed by Mr. N. RUCHWALDY,
and Performed by over
30 Young Ladies and Children.

To conclude with a beautiful ideal personification
of
"THE WALTZ."

Tickets may be had from TO-DAY.

Price \$2 & \$1.

PLAN at Messrs. W. ROBINSON & Co.,
Hongkong, 24th September, 1894. [1003]

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

THE BLACK PLAGUE.

THE HONGKONG MINSTRELS

WILL GIVE

TWO MORE
OF THEIR
POPULAR ENTERTAINMENTS

For the BENEFIT of the
PLAQUE WORKERS.

ON-DATES TO BE FIXED HEREAFTER.

UNDER DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE AND
SUPPORT.

ENTIRE CHANGE OF PROGRAMME.

FULL PARTICULARS in PROGRAMMES,
which will be shortly issued.

Popular Prices \$2 & \$1.
Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform, half-price to
Back Seats only.

Doors Open at 8.30.

Commencing at 9 o'clock precisely.

PLAN and TICKETS at Messrs. KELLY &
WALSH, Limited.

SEATS may be Booked on and after
SATURDAY, September 13th.

A SPECIAL TRAM will run to the Peak,
and a SPECIAL LAUNCH to Kowloon, 15
minutes after each Performance.

WILLIAM BLAYNEY,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1894. [1009]

Intimations.

W. BREWER
HAS JUST RECEIVED.

CAWS' STYLOGRAPHIC PENS.
Caws' Fountain Pens with Gold Nibs.
(These Pens used with Caws' Stylographic Ink
are the most satisfactory in the market.)
Wallace's "Prince of India."
Hayes—"Among Men and Horses."
Sanderson's History of England and British
Empire.
Stead—"If Christ came to Chicago."
The Transmigration of the Mandarin Fum-Hoan.
Large Selection of New Pocket Knives.
Cricketing Materials.

TENNIS MATERIALS.

Footballs.

Tin Dispatch and Cash Boxes.

Photographic Materials for Amateurs.

Fine quality Egyptian Cigarettes.

Gent's Brown Walking Boots and Shoes.

Gent's Dancing Pumps.

New Framed Egravings.

A great variety of Playing Cards, gilt and plain
edges.

Water Colour Boxes in great variety.

Seal's Stamp Albums in great variety.

W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL. [675]

Hongkong, 27th September, 1894.

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KELLY & WALSH, LTD.

NOW READY—PRICE \$1.00 THE SET.

NEW MAPS OF

KOREA

AND

NORTH CHINA.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1894. [6]

CENTRAL HOTEL,
SHANGHAI.

Electric Lighting
throughout
the Premises.

Telegraphic Address—

"CENTRAL,"

SHANGHAI."

THIS long-established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river in the
centre of the Settlements, is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath
and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid
on, DOUCHE, SHOWER, SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

COMMODIOUS RECEPTION ROOM FOR VISITORS.

SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, 6c.

An Assistant attends on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

N.B.—Special reduced charges may be arranged for on application to the Manager.

F. E. REILLY,
PROPRIETOR.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

SHIPCHANDLERS, SAIL-MAKERS, &c.

—
SUPPLIES OF ALL KINDS OF

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OF BEST BRANDS.

AGENTS FOR:—

INTERNATIONAL COMPOSITION FOR SHIPS' BOTTOMS.

PRICE'S SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OIL.

BELL'S SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.

PURE FRESH WATER SUPPLIED

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EUCALYPTUS OIL.

MESSRS. DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & CO., LTD., were the first to introduce EUCALYPTUS OIL into Hongkong, and the quality of their import is still unsurpassed.

EUCALYPTUS OIL

Is a sovereign remedy for COLDS, INFLUENZA AND CATARRH. A first-rate Germicide. Is a more powerful disinfectant than Carbolic Acid.

FOR MOSQUITO BITES,
FOR USE IN THE BATH.
D. C. & Co's
EUCALYPTUS OIL,
BOTTLES—50 cents & \$1.
Hongkong, 12th September, 1894.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

VEGETABLE & FLOWER SEEDS.

SEASON 1894-95.

Orders will be executed in the sequence in which they are received as long as the supply lasts.

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HINTS FOR GARDENING have been issued and may still be obtained on application.

Our Seeds are all tested before being put up in London. They are packed under our own Supervision, and the greatest care is exercised to insure protection in transit.

Sowings should be made in fine weather only and the remainder of the packets secured from damp, and kept in a dry place for repeat sowings.

CLAY'S FERTILIZER.

A high-class Fertilizer for Pot Plants and for use in the Garden generally. It supplies natural nourishment to the soil, and assists the process of assimilation, thereby aiding the Plants to attain to their full size, vigour and beauty.

Sold in Tins containing 10 lbs. each... \$1.50
" " 28 lbs. " " \$4.50
Directions for Use are given on the Label.

RANSOME'S "NEW PARIS"

LAWN MOWERS,
The Best and Cheapest Machines in the Market.
For Sale at Manufacturers' Prices.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1894.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

DEATH.
On September 17th at her residence in the city of Hongkong, NANETTE LAURA, the wife of Mr. S. Tissman.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1894.

TELEGRAMS.

SHANGHAI WAR CORRESPONDENCE.
LONDON, October 2nd.

The *Times*' correspondent in Shanghai reports that 35,000 Japanese troops have landed between the Yellow River and Tientsin. [Who is the *Times*?] It is bad enough to have this feather-bed Irish war correspondent of the *New York Herald* filling Gordon Bennett's paper with lying twaddle from imaginary Japanese "specials" at the front—the front of Tokyo—although that kind of thing is a leading feature in advanced American journalism; but we really cannot, without protest, allow the gray old *Thunderer* and the British public to be gulled by the shallow pretences of an apparently unscrupulous charlatan, whose chief aims would seem to be to distort well-known facts and gain a cheap notoriety by propagating the childish vapourings of a disordered imagination. What are Reuter's agents in the Far East doing to allow nonsense of this kind to be sent home as reliable information without explanation or contradiction? We shall next hear from the *Times* correspondent in Shanghai as the *Times* is.

THE VICEROY OF CANTON AND THE PEARL RIVER.

CHINESE *Gazette* that the Japanese "invincibles" have taken Kowloon and Hongkong and are performing "John Kino" in the fanta shops! They certainly have held an impregnable position in the "Rue Koon Oop Me Love" for a long time past.—*Ed. H. K. Telegraph.*

THE JAPANESE ADVANCE.

The Japanese troops in Korea, advancing from Sing Yang, have reached Asiu. Headquarters have been formed at Ping-yang.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

ROME, September 1st.
Brigandage continues in Sicily, where the suffering is still very great.

BRINDISI, September 2nd.
His Highness the ex-Khedive, Ismail Pasha, has arrived here, coming from Trieste and going to Constantinople.

WASHINGTON, September 3rd.
Several forests have been burnt in Minnesota and Wisconsin. Six towns have been destroyed. There are 500 victims.

TANGIER, September 4th.
The Kabyles who are in revolt, have sacked the environs of Marrakesh and laid siege to the town. A capitulation is feared.

LONDON, September 15th.
Advices received from the New Hebrides state that her Majesty's cruiser *Rangiora*, which went ashore on the reefs off Malicollie Islands, has been floated. The damage to the vessel is of a slight nature.

News has been received that the steamer *Fedor*, one of the Newfoundland sealing fleet, arrived at St. John's (Newfoundland) bringing home safely Lieut. Peary and his party from their headquarters at Bowdoin Bay, Inglefield Gulf, Greenland, after a most adventurous and successful campaign in the Polar regions. Lieut. Peary, who was accompanied by his wife and by a young Norwegian, returned to the north coast of Greenland in August. Peary and the Norwegian explored the Archipelago which stretches north from Greenland and another party explored the north and north-eastern shores of Greenland. The expedition experienced cold beyond that recorded by any previous explorer. In the Polar regions, and many dogs were frozen solid during the exploration.

VIENNA, September 15th.
The members of the Austrian and Hungarian delegations were received by the Emperor Francis Joseph to-day. Replying to the customary address from their president, his Majesty referred to the more tranquil condition of the situation in Europe which existed at present, and alluded to the very friendly relations of Austro-Hungary with the Powers. Notwithstanding these facts, the Emperor said it was necessary for the Government to continue the Empire's programme of armaments.

LONDON, September 17th.
The will of the late Comte de Paris has been published. In it he asks his friends to support his son, and expresses his conviction that it is necessary for France to become a Christian nation in order to recover her past greatness.

VIENNA, September 17th.
Count Kalnoky delivered a long speech on Foreign Affairs before the Budget Committee of the Austrian Delegation to-day. The Imperial Minister for Foreign Affairs, in summing up his criticism of the general situation, dwelt upon the growing friendliness which is now observed between all the Powers in Europe, and the appreciation of the pacific objects aimed at by the Triple Alliance. Nevertheless, he said, it was impossible to lay aside the sword, until Europe was sure that a guarantee for the maintenance of peace existed beyond all possible doubt.

MEXICO, September 17th.
The President of the Republic in opening the second session of the Congress yesterday, said that the war in Korea delayed the meeting of the Conference to discuss the silver question, in which Mexico and the Asiatic and American States intended to take part.

LONDON, September 19th.
H.M.S. cruiser *Amphion*, under the Command of Captain John R. Pattison, has gone to Cava Vianco to overtake the natives.

THE meeting of the Legislative Council fixed for Monday next has been postponed sine die.

ANOTHER popular smoking concert will be given in the Theatre Royal on Saturday evening. *Vide* advertisement.

THE entries for Saturday's Gymkhana will be found in another column. *An Old Sportsman* will discuss them at length to-morrow.

MR. KLOBUKOWSKY (French General Consul) here to-day in the French mail steamer *Sophellen* from Marcellles en route to Yokohama.

THE old "Shire" liner *Flintshire*, recently sold to the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, has been re-named *Yoshima Maru*, and is now under command of Captain Swain.

THE French gunboat *Pluvier* relieved the *USS* at Bangkok on the 20th ultimo, the latter vessel proceeding at once to Chantaburi, en route to Saigon and Hongkong.

We note that Mr. W. M. Goodman, Attorney-General of this colony, had arranged to leave London for the Far East by the P. & O. Co.'s steamer *Parramatta* on Sept. 13th.

MR. ROBERT C. DIXON, Government Marine Surveyor, with Mrs. Dixon and family, returned to the colony yesterday from leave of absence by the "Blue Funnel" steamer *Palamedes*.

ON Tuesday night, a large junk attempted to pass through the Shiltsousha channel (Shanghai) on her journey north, with the object of evading the *HMS* guard-boats, but she struck a torpedo and was blown to pieces. A fishing boat hearing the explosion went to the spot—probably to loot the wreck—but this was also blown up, and says the *N. C. Daily News* of the 29th ultimo, when the guard-boats arrived only a few planks remained; several men being drowned. In regard to placing torpedoes in the two channels south of Tengtung Island, it is stated that some years ago the importance of guarding them was represented to the Chinese Government by certain foreign experts, in consequence of which, upon the return of the late Marquis Teung to Chio, the Liangkang authorities decided to have the approaches thoroughly fortified. However, the approaches were thoroughly fortified. However, the Marquis Teung died and nothing was done. Upon the outbreak of the present hostilities, the plains and chart were looked up, and the expectant Prefect, Sheu Tar-ho, Director of the Nanking Naval Academy, was sent down to Shanghai to make arrangements for defending these gateways to the Yangtze river and Shanghai. No fewer than six hundred submarine mines have since been laid, while gunboats and cruisers have been stationed to guard them from being tampered with by the enemy. A gunboat recently struck one of the torpedoes and was blown up, a number of her crew being killed.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Peru*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 15th ulto, has arrived at Yokohama, and will leave for this port, *via* Nagasaki, to-morrow at daylight.

AN express was issued this afternoon notifying that on Saturday, the 17th November, the Field Battery of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps will parade at Head-quarters at 2.30 p.m. for route marching, and target practice from 7 p.m. R.M.L. guns at North Point.

THAT brilliant ornament of the Hongkong Civil Service, Mr. A. K. Travers, our local Postmaster, returned to the colony this morning by the French mail steamer *Sophellen* from a very lengthy and, in the colony, unjustifiably expensive leave of absence.

NOTICE was given on the 20th ultimo by the Japanese Hydrographical Department that vessels cannot enter Hayase Sound, the entrance to Hiroshima, where the Mikado has taken up his temporary residence, owing to torpedoes having been laid there.

BOWRING, a marine serving on H.M.S. *Undaunted*, was accidentally drowned off Victoria wharf last night, while attempting to jump on board a sampan which was moored about fifty yards off the wharf. The body of the unfortunate man was recovered by the Water Police about 11 p.m. and removed to the Mortuary.

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Mrs. Spooner was amongst the witnesses examined. She detailed the whole of the strange proceedings. She said that she had been urged by accused to commit suicide. "After taking a draught of laudanum," she proceeded, "I urged him to stab me."

The witness produced a letter from the prisoner, which was written yesterday. In this Hill expresses his regard for the girl in most unusual language, and in one passage writes, "I love you more than ever."

The accused was remanded in order to enable the police to collect further evidence.

August 30th.

The coalminers' strike in Scotland shows signs of collapsing.

The question as to whether the strike of coalminers in Scotland should be continued was decided by ballot to-day.

The result showed that the majority of the miners had determined to accept a reduction in wages of 6d. per day. Work is to be resumed.

Mr. J. A. Picton and Sir J. Whitehead, Gladstonian Liberal members for Leicester, having resigned on the ground of ill-health, fresh elections took place yesterday.

Messrs. Bradhurst and Hazel (Liberals) were returned, defeating the Conservative and Labour candidates.

The Japanese Government has purchased 200,000 needle guns in Vienna.

An anarchist has been arrested at Milan on a charge of being concerned in a plot on the life of the King of Greece. The police have ascertained that it was intended to stab King George.

The Kaffir revolt at Zoutpansberg, the Northern district of the Transvaal, has been suppressed by the Boer force sent against the rebels.

SYDNEY, August 30th.

The New South Wales Government have offered a reward of £100 for the discovery of those concerned in the burning of the steamer *Reddy* on the Darling River.

Further cases of intimidation by unionist leaders in New South Wales are reported.

The New South Wales Parliament was opened on Tuesday with the usual ceremony.

The Governor's speech stated that Parliament would be invited to recast the fiscal policy of the colony by repealing the Customs tariff of 1891 and imposing a tax on the unemphued value of land.

The cost of the last general election was £30,000.

MELBOURNE, August 30th.

The Victorian Government were defeated on a want of confidence motion in the Legislative Assembly by 46 votes to 42.

The Governor has since consented to grant a dissolution of Parliament.

At a conference of the town and trade representatives of the Victorian Free Trade Democratic Association held in Melbourne, a resolution was passed demanding the abolition of all protective duties.

LONDON, August 31st.

Mrs. Justin H. McCarthy, son of Mr. Justin McCarthy, M.P., has married Miss Clancy Loftus, the actress.

The anarchist Sternberg, the author of the recent dynamite outrages at Liège, in Belgium, has been arrested in St. Petersburg.

The anarchist Salvador French, the perpetrator of the bomb outrage at the Liceo Theatre, Barcelona, Spain, in November last, which resulted in the death of 15 persons, was executed yesterday.

Prior to the execution he made a remarkable confession. He expressed regret for the crime, and embraced Christianity.

Mr. Sandford Fleming, C.M.G., estimates that his proposed cable across the Pacific, which could be constructed at a cost of £2,000,000, would yield a surplus of £10,000 from the start. This would increase in 10 years to a surplus of £168,500.

The Times expresses the opinion that the Government ought to entertain, with an open mind, the various proposals for the construction of the Pacific cable.

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Further details are to hand with regard to the

The natives at Lorenzo Marques, a Portuguese town at Delagoa Bay, South Africa, have broken out into revolt under Moreira, a native chief.

Sir George Grey will pass the winter on the Continent, returning to London in the spring.

There has been a great increase of trade in the United States owing to the operation of the new tariff. The value of wool for domestic purposes has advanced 35 per cent.

The woolen factories which were compelled to suspend work in consequence of the commercial depression, are resuming operations.

September 2nd.

Serious encounters have taken place between the police and the pickets of the coal miners at the village of Law and the town of Coatbridge, in Lanarkshire, Scotland.

The police charge the mob at both places, and several of the strikers were wounded.

A detailed account of lynch law is reported from Shelby County, Tennessee, United States.

Eleven negroes who were caught in the act of setting fire to houses were seized by a mob and lynched.

Great fires have occurred in the forests of the State of Minnesota, U.S.A.

Six hundred people who were unable to escape from the rapidly advancing flames were burnt to death. Of this number 200 persons perished at the town of Hinckley, which was consumed by the wave of fire.

Five other towns were destroyed, the damage being estimated at several million dollars.

The passengers by a train which was travelling through the burning country abandoned the train and took refuge in a swamp. They were surrounded by fire, but eventually 200 of them were rescued.

The Khedive of Egypt, Abbas Pasha, has countermanded an order which had been given for holding a court-martial upon three Pashas at Cairo, including the President of the Egyptian Legislative Council, who were recently placed by the wave of fire.

In revenge for attacks made on the army by the *Alphabetic*, a newspaper published in Athens, 150 officers and soldiers have wrecked the office of that journal.

September 3rd.

All Cherif, President of the Egyptian Legislative Council, and Hassan Pasha, a retired gentleman, who were arrested a few days ago on a charge of trading in slave girls, are tried by court-martial. The Khedive at first declined to sanction the holding of a court-martial for the purpose, but he has now withdrawn his opposition to the course. The third Pasha charged in connection with the affair has not yet been arrested.

In an article upon the prospects of the federal movement in Australia, the London *Times* states that the triumph of free-trade in New South Wales, and the probable decrease of protection in Victoria, augur well for the accomplishment of the federation of Australia.

The French Government is taking measures for rapidly equipping the French mailboats as armed cruisers in view of possible contingencies.

The Messageries Maritimes steamer *Polyester* is being fitted to carry 1,000 men.

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The fires were due to the unusually parched state of the country, resulting from a protracted drought, which had extended over two months.

They commenced on Friday in the State of Minnesota, and carried by a high wind, the flames extended with alarming rapidity.

Sixteen towns, exclusive of villages were destroyed.

The total number of people burned to death is estimated at 1,500.

The high rate of mortality was due to a sudden change in the wind, whereby towns which were reckoned to be safe from the devastating element were unexpectedly engulfed in the flames.

In many places the citizens kept the fire at bay for hours till they became so exhausted that they were absolutely unable to battle with the advancing fire any longer, and were burned to death. The air was filled with the shrieks of the dying.

In several instances men and women stood up to their waists in pools of water, and saved themselves by dashing water over each other, while others swallowed in the mud.

A new scheme has been formulated by the Stock Conversion Trust, under which it is proposed to deal with £2,000,000 of deposit receipts of the following banks:—Australian Joint Stock Bank; Bank of Victoria, City of Melbourne Bank, Commercial Bank of Australasia, London Bank of Australia, National Bank of Australasia and Queensland National Bank.

It is intended to convert half of the face value of the deposit receipts into 4 per cent. cumulative preference stocks, and the remainder into separate deferred stocks for each bank, thus enabling depositors to realise half the amount of their deposits.

Later.

Bankers are apathetic regarding the Stock Conversion Trust's deposit scheme, and it is not expected that many deposit receipts will be converted under the conditions of the scheme.

Additional advices are to hand concerning the terrible forest fires which have devastated vast tracts of country in America.

The details of the destruction caused are appalling. The smoke from the burning country renders navigation on Lakes Superior and Michigan dangerous.

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September 4th.

The following Japanese official reports of the battle of Ping-ting, which we take from our Japan exchanges, show that the first reports of the engagement were the grossly exaggerated vapourings of interested Japanese were correspondents who have but little, if any, regard for the truth:—

The Tokyo *Aishi* publishes the following:

KO YANG, 3.45 a.m., September 17th.

The column started from Yuensan, advanced toward Ping-ting by way of Son-chon; the column of General Tachimori advanced from San-yang, by way of Bo-kang-den; the Brigade of General Oshima by the Icho road, and the main body, under General Norzu, crossed the river Tai-dong, marched along the northern bank of the river and invested Ping-ting on the 15th. General Oshima reported that the greater part of the enemy's forces were quartered within the city of Ping-ting and on its left and right banks, a small portion being stationed at Sen-kyo-ri on the northern bank of the river Tai-dong, over which a bridge was constructed.

Judging from discoveries made after the fighting, the number of cannon possessed by the enemy appears to have been only about twenty.

The Kowloon believed the strength of the enemy at Ping-ting to be about 40,000. The march of the main body of the Japanese army was a little delayed in consequence of crossing the river. In the attack on the 15th, the main body killed or wounded about 100 cavalry of the enemy. The attack on this day was not satisfactory.

The attack was renewed on the 16th at daylight. Six Japanese officers were killed and 12 or 13 wounded and over 300 non-commissioned officers and men were either killed or wounded in the column of General Oshima. Ammunition ran short, and this obliged the column to suspend fire. But in the meantime the attack from all other directions proved successful, and by about 8 a.m. Ping-ting was taken. General Su-Ho-ki, Commander-in-Chief, and other Chinese officers were either killed, wounded or captured, together with immense stores of ammunition and provisions.

YAMAGATA, Field Marshal, 1.50 a.m., Sept. 18th.

The Commander of the 5th Division despatched a detachment northward yesterday (17th) to pursue the enemy. The number of the prisoners is reported to have reached 600. In the column under Colonel Sato, three officers were killed, four wounded, and 140 non-commissioned officers and men were killed and wounded.

No report has yet been received from the other columns. Among the prisoners captured, it is reported, there were 40 cases filled with gold and silver, each weighing over 20 lbs. and 67,000 kuan of silver coins.

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HOSHIMA, 11.15 a.m., Sept. 18th.

A telegram was received here this morning from Surgeon Kuchi, stating that seventy-seven wounded Chinese have been picked up on the field of battle and medical aid given to them.

An attempt was also made to assassinate the President, and a number of rioters concerned in the plot was also shot.

A terrible explosion is reported from Cornwall.

The disaster occurred in a dynamite factory, and resulted in the loss of two lives. The damage done to property was extensive.

At the Trades Union Congress at Norwich a resolution was carried, indirectly confirming Mr. Fenwick, labour M.P., for voting against the proposal in the Commons to legalise the eight hours day for miners. The voting was 270 for the censure and 16 against.

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The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

BANKS.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—92 per cent, prem. sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £8,000 paid up—\$21, sales.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' shares, nominal.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—nominal.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—Founders' shares—\$4, buyers.

CHINESE LOANS.
Chinese Imperial Loan of \$860 £—12 per cent, premium.

MARINE INSURANCES.

Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$140 per share, sellers.
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$61 per share, sellers.
North China Insurance—Tls. 175 per share, buyers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$147 per share, buyers.
Vanderbilt Insurance Association—\$75, buyers.
On Tid Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 15 per share.

The Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.—\$17 per share, sellers.

FIRE INSURANCES.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$180 per share, sellers.
China Fire Insurance Company—\$77 per share, sellers.
The Straits Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., \$20 per share, sellers.

SHIPPING.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$15 per share, buyers.

China and Manila Steam Ship Company—\$65, buyers.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—\$415, sales and sellers.

Deutsch Steamship Company—\$47, sellers.
China Mutual Shippers Co., Ltd.—(Preference)—\$1 per share, nominal.

China Mutual Shippers Co., Ltd.—(Ordinary)—\$1 per share, nominal.

REFINERIES.
China Super Refining Company, Limited—\$156 per share, sellers.
Lung-Sun Refining Company, Limited—\$48, buyers.

MINING.

Pujiun Mining Co.—(Ordinary)—\$6 per share, sellers.

Pujiun Mining Co.—(Preference)—\$1.60 per share, buyers.

The New Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$53 per share, buyers.

The New Belmont Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$1 per share, buyers.

Société Financière des Charbonnages du Tonkin—\$15 per share, buyers.

The Gold Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$10, sellers and sellers.

DRUGS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—783 per cent, premium buyers.

Gen. Knoblock & Co., Limited—\$20 per share, buyers.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$37 per share, buyers.

Ward & Warehouse Co., Ltd.—\$40 per share, sellers.

HOTELS.
Hongkong Hotel Company—\$10 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per-cent. Debentures—\$1.

The Chamber Hotel Co., Limited—nominal.

LANDS AND BUILDING.
The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.

The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$11, sellers.

The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$20 per share, sellers.

Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.—\$14 per share, sellers.

DISPENSARIES.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$10 buyers.

Daihachi Cutlery & Co., Limited—\$1 per share, buyers.

MISCELLANEOUS.
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$5 per share, sellers.

H. C. Purnell & Co., Limited—\$4 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Fire Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$108 per share, buyers.

Hongkong Ice Company—\$75 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$2 per share, sellers.

The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.

The Green Island Cement Co.—\$5, buyers.

The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$40, sellers.

The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$70, buyers.

Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.—\$2 per share.

EXCHANGE.

On LONDON—Bank, T. T. 2/1

Bank Bills, on demand 2/1

Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/2

Credits at 4 months' sight 2/2

Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/2

On PARIS—

Bank Bills, on demand 2/2

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On INDIA—

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On SHANGHAI—

Bank, T. T. 74

Private, 30 days' sight 74

Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) \$9.05

Silver (per oz.) 29

VISITORS AND RESIDENTS AT THE PEARL HOTEL.

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Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

TAI-CHONG, German steamer, 828, F. Dahme, 2nd October.—Saigon 27th Sept., Rice—Meyer & Co.

DIAMOND, British steamer, 909, Ellis, 2nd October.—Penang, and Singapore 26th Sept., General.—Bun Moh.

FIDELIO, German steamer, 752, Tr-Nissen, 3rd October.—Manila 29th Sept., General.—Molchers & Co.

TAIWAN, British steamer, 1,108, G. Anderson, 2nd October.—Sydney 7th Sept., Townsville 12th, Cooktown 13th, Thursday Island 16th, and Port Darwin 21st, Coals.—Batterfield & Swire.

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BRUNHILDE, German steamer, 886, Bible, 3rd October.—Canton 3rd October, General.—Wieler & Co.

NANYANG, German steamer, 983, Ph. Lehmann, 3rd October.—Cebu 28th Sept., General.

—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

BISSAU, Italian steamer, 1,494, E. Barbiro, 27th Sept.—Bombay 9th Sept., and Singapore 21st, General.—Carlofis & Co.

BYDLO, Norwegian steamer, 771, C. Brokke, 20th Sept.—Salon 14th Sept., Rice and General.—Tang Kee.

CHINA, German steamer, 1,113, F. Andreassen, 26th Sept.—Saigon 22nd September, Rice.

—Molchers & Co.

DEUTSCHER, German steamer, 1,108, W. A. Dine, 27th Sept.—Bangkok 20th Sept., General.—Slemmons & Co.

FORMOSA, British steamer, 674, A. E. Hodgins, and October.—Tamsui 28th Sept., Amoy 20th, and Swatow 1st Oct., Camphor and General.—D. Laprak & Co.

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Per *Tatcheong* from Saigon—42 Chinese.

Per *Diamond* from Penang—630 Chinese.

Per *Taiwan*, from Sydney, &c.—Mr. O. Anderson, 2nd October.

Per *Yen Fat Hong*, from Singapore—38 Chinese and 5 Malays.

Per *Saghalien*, from Marseilles for Hongkong.—Mr. and Mrs. Travers and Infant, Mons. Lile, and Mons. Lile.

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